

Osawatomie, Kansas. **August 24, 2023.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11th Street. Mayor Nick Hampson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Schasteen, Macek, Diehm, Dickinson, LaDuex, Bratton, Filipin and Caldwell. City Staff present at the meeting were: City Manager Bret Glendening, City Clerk Tammy Seamands, City Attorney Jeff Deane, Utility Director Terry Upshaw, Public Works Director Michele Silsbee and Assistant to the City Manager Samantha Moon. Members of the public were: Gene Howell, Sheryl Howell, Virigina Adams, Donna Eichorn, Mike Scanlon, Rodney Nuessen, Derek Henness, Nicole Henness, Mary Lamb, Nadine Bailey, John Flores and Jon-Michael Brand.

INVOCATION. – Virginia Adams

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of August 24, 2023 Agenda, August 9th Council Meeting Minutes, Pay Application – BG Consultants – Water Distribution Project - \$7,533.00, Pay Application –BG Consultants – WWTP Project - \$4,416.00, Pay Application – John Brown & Levee Loop KDOT/TA - \$23,026.50, Pay Application – BG Consultants – 2022/2023 Street Improvements - \$28,313.75, Pay Application – Crossland Heavy Contractors – WWTP - \$40,945.01. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: All

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. – None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

HEARING TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE (RNR) – The Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m. The mayor asked if there were any comments. The mayor asked a second time if there were any comments on the Revenue Neutral Rate. Donna Eichorn asked what we are doing with the extra funds that are raised by exceeding the revenue neutral rate. The mayor asked a third time if there were any comments. Bret Glendening discussed the 2024 RNR & Budget Hearing presentation that he passed out. Jon-Michael Brand asked what is the city doing to be more efficient with the tax dollars. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 1158 – Regarding the governing body levying a property tax in excess of the revenue neutral rate as presented. Yeas: All. Hearing no other comments, the mayor closed the hearing at 7:00 p.m.

HEARING TO ADOPT THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS – The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. The mayor asked if there were any comments. The mayor asked a second time is there any comments on the 2024 annual budget. They mayor asked a third time if there were any comments on the 2024 annual budget. Hearing no comments, the mayor closed the hearing at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS. – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

ORDINANCE 3836 – ADOPTING THE 2024 BUDGET & LEVYING A TAX FOR THE PURPOSE THEREOF – **Motion** made by Bratton, seconded by Schasteen to approve Ordinance 3836 – Adopting the 2024 budget of the City of Osawatomie, Kansas as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1159 – PROVIDING STAFF DIRECTION ON SALE OF LOTS IN HICKORY VALLEY – We have had a request to purchase two lots in Hickory Valley. These lots do not have full street access and do not have utilities extended to them as of yet. Given the number of projects that we have going currently and the importance of developing Hickory Valley out in a planned manner. It is staff’s recommendation that we pause any sale of platted lots in the Hickory Valley subdivision until such time as the infrastructure can be designed and permitted and a financing plan put into place. **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Macek to approve Resolution 1159 – Providing direction to staff regarding vacant lots in Hickory Valley as presented. Yeas: All.

NEW BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION 1160 – WAIVING GAAP FOR 2024 FISCAL YEAR–K.S.A. 75-1120 requires the governing body of each municipality in Kansas to utilize generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. However, the statute allows the Director of Accounts and Reports to waive the requirements upon the request of the governing body of any city.

Prior to requesting the waiver, the governing body must annually pass a resolution, finding that financial statements and financial reports prepared in conformity with GAAP are not relevant to the requirements of the cash-basis and budget laws of Kansas and are of no significant value to the governing body or members of the general public of the municipality.

The law does state that the waiver cannot be requested if the provisions of revenue bond ordinances or resolutions, or other ordinances or resolutions of the municipality, require financial statements and financial reports to be prepared in conformance with GAAP.

If the waiver is granted, all financial statements and financial reports of the municipality are required to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, as adjusted to show compliance with the cash-basis and budget laws of Kansas. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Filipin to approve Resolution 1160 – Waiving the GAAP requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120A(a) for the year ended 2024 as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1161 – LEASE PURCHASE OF PRO CORE 648 AERATOR – Currently we contract out our aeration service once a year, however there is a need for more frequent aeration on the golf greens and tee boxes than what we are currently able to do with a contractor. This need is driven by increased daily golf rounds, junior rounds, and tournament rounds. The purchase of the Pro Core 648 gives us the ability to perform aeration on our own timeline, and provide better and more consistent playing conditions. Professional Turf Products has offered to finance the Pro Core 648 however, First Option Bank was able to provide us with a better interest rate giving us a

lower payment. **Motion** made by Schasteen, seconded by Caldwell to approve Resolution 1161 – Authorizing the lease/purchase of a new pro core 648 aerator for the Osawatomie Gold Course as presented. Yeas: All.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion made by Dickinson, seconded by Schasteen that the City Council recess into closed, executive session for the purpose of discussing financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships pursuant to the exception K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(4). The closed meeting will last 20 minutes and will resume here in Memorial Hall at 7:46 p.m. Also attending will be City Manager Bret Glendening, Consultant Mike Scanlon, City Clerk Tammy Seamands and City Attorney Jeff Deane. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 7:46 p.m. with no action taken.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Karen LaDuex ~ This afternoon a group of us met at the cabin with Senator Roger Marshall. It has his first visit to the cabin and he got to learn what the cabin means to Osawatomie. Senator Marshall had signed a letter of support to help with us gaining a national park designation. He sounded positive today and even had some suggestions on how to improve the cabin.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Thank you, Sam and Mike, for pushing to get the State to replace the roof at the cabin. There have been many parts of that structure that have been neglected over the years and it’s good to see them finally stepping up.

We had a US senator visit our community today. Thank you to everyone involved in the planning of that event. I hope that our message about the importance of preserving our history with the help of the National Park Service was well received.

Thank you, Dave Ellis, for his efforts to get people to clean up their properties. It’s one of the most thankless jobs in the city, but it’s also one of the most important.

The charging stations have all been installed or close to being installed. They are also showing up on Chargepoint’s website. Thank you to the Electric Crew for the work and hopefully they will pull some people into town.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.

Bret Glendening – Thank you mayor and council for your attentiveness through the budget season and for staying engaged. I just received an email from Enterprise saying that one of the lightning vehicles have been scheduled for production.

OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.

Motion made by Dickinson, seconded by Bratton to adjourn. Yeas: All. The mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 07:59 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk